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FOLLOWING IS VERBATIM TEXT OF MESSAGE TO SECRETARY FROM
ISRAELI MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. YIGAL ALON,
CONVEYED VIA ISRAEL EMBASSY: "DEAR HENRY, "I SHOULD LIKE
TO EXPRESS TO YOU ON BEHALF OF MY GOVERNMENT, AS WELL AS
MYSELF PERSONALLY, DEEP APPRECIATION OF THE POSITION TAKEN
BY THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION AT THE GENERAL CONFERENCE
OF UNESCO IN PARIS IN OPPOSING THE ARAB-SPONSORED RESOLU-
TION ON JERUSALEM. THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE THIRD
(CULTURAL) COMMISSION ON 7 NOVEMBER BY AN EXIGUOUS MAJORITY
COMPRISING LESS THAN HALF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZA-
TION WAS A TRANSPARENTLY POLITICAL MANOEUVRE AND IT IS
CLEAR THAT THE COUNTRIES WHICH VOTED FOR IT WERE ACTUATED
BY MOTIVES ENTIRELY ALIEN TO THE PRINCIPLES AND PURPOSES
OF UNESCO. THEY WERE CONCERNED NOT FOR THE RELIGIOUS,
HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL CHARACTER OF JERUSALEM, WHICH IS
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PRECIOUS TO ISRAEL, NOR WITH THE FACTS OF THE SITUATION

IN THE CITY AS OFFICIALLY REPORTED BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF UNESCO, BUT WERE ACTUATED SOLELY BY BLIND HOSTILITY TO MY COUNTRY AND A DESIRE TO DO US DAMAGE WHATEVER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

I AM PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR THE VIGOROUS ACTION UNDERTAKEN BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON, BY THE U.S. DELEGATION AT THE CONFERENCE IN PARIS AND BY YOUR MISSIONS IN VARIOUS CAPITALS, WHICH DEMONSTRATED THAT THE OVERWHELMING AUTOMATIC MAJORITY ENJOYED BY THE ARAB STATES IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IS NOT INVULNERABLE. OUR DELEGATION AT UNESCO HAS REPORTED THAT THIS HAS HAD A SALUTARY EFFECT. I AM THUS CONVINCED THAT AN ADDITIONAL EFFORT DURING THIS COMING WEEK DESIGNED TO ELIMINATE THIS MAJORITY IN THE PLENARY SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE, OR FAILING THIS TO REDUCE IT EVEN FURTHER, WOULD BE EMINENTLY JUSTIFIED AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO RELY ON YOUR SUPPORT TO THAT END.

WITH HIGHEST CONSIDERATION AND KINDEST PERSONAL REGARDS."
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